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DETAILED ACTION

Information Disclosure Statement

The information disclosure statement (IDS) submitted on 28 May 2008
was filed after the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance on 09 May 2008. The
submission is in compliance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97. Accordingly, the
information disclosure statement is being considered by the examiner.

Allowable Subject Matter

 The Examiner's Amendment dated 15 June 2007 is still upheld. Thus, claims 1-41 are allowed, for the same reasons set forth in the previous Examiner's Amendment.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to SHANNON S. SALIARD whose telephone number is (571)272-5587. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday, 8:00 am - 4:30 pm.

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